

RECORD OF BRIEFING

SOUTHERN REGIONAL PLANNING PANEL

BRIEFING DETAILS

BRIEFING DATE / TIME	Wednesday, 23 October 2024, 2pm - 3pm
LOCATION	MS Teams

BRIEFING MATTER(S)

PPSSTH-309 – Wollongong – DA-2023/767 – 163-171 Crown Street, 80 & 82 Church Street WOLLONGONG 2500 The Globe Project - Staged Development - demolition of structures above and below ground, tree removal, construction of a mixed-use multi storey development, incorporating a commercial building, hotel, registered club with motel accommodation, basement car parking and associated public domain upgrade works.

PANEL MEMBERS

IN ATTENDANCE	Chris Wilson (Chair), Juliet Grant, Grant Christmas, Marjorie Ferguson
APOLOGIES	None
DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST	None

OTHER ATTENDEES

COUNCIL ASSESSMENT STAFF	Theresa Whittaker, Mark Adamson, April Wilkinson
DPHI	Amanda Moylan, Tracey Gillett

KEY ISSUES DISCUSSED

Council's assessment planner provided the Panel with an update of the status of the assessment of the application, and the following matters were discussed:

- Revised package of documents and plans received. Many of the issues raised in the RFI appear to have been resolved, however, final assessment has not yet been undertaken.
- Removal of demolition and earthworks from current DA.
- Measures within DA to manage road closure process prior to activation of any consent.
- TfNSW now support the proposal as key issues regarding intersection design have been addressed.
- Variable height limits across the site.
- Height of proposed hotel tower has been reduced, with exceedance now at 7m. Departure from Clause 8.6 building separation standards sought.
- Deletion of proposed pool from sky bar.
- Delivery of other public benefits from ground level through modified setbacks from western boundary, broader public domain works proposed via Planning Agreement (PA).

- The Planning Agreement is to be dealt with independent of the development application and will include a mechanism to deliver on broader public domain benefits.
- The Panel requested Council ensure the DA can stand alone and provide public benefit, particularly if the Planning Agreement does not progress.
- Benefits to the eastern edge of the development site from a pedestrian link from Crown St through to Globe Lane.
- Site constraints including acid sulphate soils class 5, flood impacts, proximity to heritage items.
- Council confirmed that the revised development scheme will be referred to the Design Review Panel for further comments.
- New plans and documents to be reviewed by relevant Council internal referral groups.
- Amended plans are to be renotified.
- Key assessment issues:
 - Height departure from development standard.
 - o Design quality and urban design.
 - Construction impacts.
 - o Impacts on businesses fronting or gaining access from Globe land and Globe Way.
 - Landscaping and public domain works.
 - o Road closure process.
 - o Public interest.

TENTATIVE DETERMINATION DATE SCHEDULED FOR 13 DECEMBER 2024